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## <u>Amendment</u>

Hon. Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 22, 2003, the due date for response to which has been extended to September 22, 2003 by virtue of the accompanying Petition for Extension of Time, in connection with the above-identified application, please enter and consider the following amendment and remarks.

## **IN THE CLAIMS:**

Claims 1-2, and 4 have been amended, and claim 3 has been canceled as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) An audio apparatus for use in <u>a</u> negative <u>impedance</u> drive of a loudspeaker having an internal impedance to perform a desired amplitude-frequency characteristic, comprising:

